

T. & T. to Spend 26 Million in N. C.

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company recently announced plans to spend \$26,000,000 in 1959 to expand and improve telephone facilities in the state.

J. L. Smith, Southern Bell district manager, said "This expenditure will be necessary in order for telephone service to keep abreast of the increased industrial and residential growth that North Carolina will experience this year".

The year 1959 should prove to be a year of continued growth and progress for Buncombe county also, Mr. Smith said.

"We are confident that the county's development and expansion will continue at least at its present rate and perhaps even faster," Mr. Smith stated. "This prediction is based on business and residential forecast studies made by our telephone engineers. These studies are made so that we can meet telephone needs as they develop."

Mr. Smith further stated that telephone expansion plans in this area for 1959 will include spending approximately \$500,000 for installation of additional central office equipment along with outside cable facilities.

Statewide, North Carolina's continued progress and development in 1959 is expected to create a need for some 44,000 additional telephones in the areas served by Southern Bell in North Carolina, he said.

In announcing its plans for this year, the telephone firm pointed out that '59 construction expenditures will substantially exceed its 1958 program which cost approximately \$21,000,000.

The largest single construction project which the company will have under way during the year is the new \$5,000,000 long-distance switching center in Greensboro. This center, when completed in 1960, will be a major switching point in the nation's long-distance telephone system, it was pointed out.

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The ground dries and asked the industrial committee to secure these materials as soon as possible. Harry W. Clark and Rev. Kenneth Donald head this committee.

Rev. W. A. Huneycutt and Rev. John L. McWhorter were requested to finish their contacts with local business houses as soon as possible. M. E. Head reported that a contribution had been received dur-



Western Carolina College chorus, performing five concerts in Buncombe county this week, under direction of Dr. Richard Renfro, appeared at Owen High school Monday, Feb. 16. The chorus remained there as guests for lunch. Woodfin Rhodes, WCC alumnus and former member of the chorus, is director of music at Owen. The group also was with the Asheville Little Symphony at the First Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening.

At Weaverville the orchestra will accompany the chorus in the Buxtehude cantata and in Holst's "Turn Back, O Man".

ing the week from the American Legion auxiliary and that members of Legion Post 129 would volunteer their services when the building is started, if notified in advance.

The chairman stated the belief several carpenters, plumbers and electricians would donate their services and thus keep cost to a minimum.

It was suggested that when the job is completed a list of sponsors be prepared, framed and placed on the wall of the clubhouse.

This youth center is a "Finer Carolina" project and should have the support of everyone in the community, the sponsors reminded.

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OLD FORT NEWS

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Mrs. Rebecca Pearl Adams
Our Mrs. Rebecca Pearl Adams, succumbed suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage at her home Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 11. She had been an invalid for the past three years.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in McCall Funeral home at 4 p.m. and were conducted by the Rev. John Neville, pastor of Old Fort Presbyterian church. She was laid to rest Friday afternoon in Greenhill cemetery at Churchville, Va., in the Cross family burial plot. The Rev. Malcom Yapple of the Churchville Methodist church, officiated. Our father, Col. Daniel W. Adams, preceded her in death by only 16 months.

Ill health had prevented Mother's appearing in public for the last few years, but she is well remembered for her gay and warm personality. She had the rare quality of making each person she met feel that he or she was one of her best friends. When she laughed, everyone within hearing distance laughed with her. Young people especially loved her.

Mother was born near Staunton, Va., nearly 68 years ago. She was the only daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Stover Cross, also of the Shenandoah valley of Virginia. She had six brothers, one of whom, Albert C. Cross of Covington, Va., survives. Her father died when she was three or four years old and she was reared by her paternal aunts, the Misses Nina Jane and Maggie Cross, and Mrs. Laura Cross.

In 1911, Mother won a trip to Europe in a popularity contest conducted by a newspaper in Staunton. She was educated at Mary Baldwin college and for a time taught piano, and was a school mar'm in a little country school near West Augusta, Va. She was a life-long member of the Methodist church.

In April, 1913, she married my father and came to North Carolina to make her home.

She was a kind, understanding and loving mother, and we miss her very much. She is survived by her three children, Mary Virginia, Adams, and June Carol of the home, and one son, Daniel W. Adams of Old Fort, and three grandchildren, Sheila and Dan W. Adams, Jr., and Stuart Adams Robinson.

Marriage Announced
Announcement has been made here of recent marriage of the former Miss Patsy Calloway of Old Fort and Weston, O., and John V. Robinson of Old Fort.

Mrs. Robinson is the ward of Mrs. Maude Fortune Shipmen of Weston and Old Fort.

Mr. Robinson is the son of the late Dr. W. A. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson of this place.

The couple went to the Mardi Gras in New Orleans, and toured the Southeastern states on their wedding trip.

Youth Fellowship Entertained
The Youth Fellowship group of Old Fort Presbyterian church met at the home of Miss Sheila Adams in West Fort on Monday evening. The home was decorated in a Valentine motif. Games were played, including bingo, with tootsie-pops as prizes.

Mrs. Jean Jones leader of the group was crowned "Queen of Hearts," and was presented a heart-shaped box of chocolates. Party sandwiches, candies, nuts, cookies and soft drinks were served to Mrs. Jean Jones, teacher, Kaye Thomason, Nancy Lytle, Phyllis Benfield, Connie Benfield, G. G. Lyte, Janise Richardson, Katie Whitesides, Barbara Peek and Sheila Adams.

Personals
Joe Henley is a patient at Oteen VA hospital, Swannanoa. His condition is reported as satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Grant of Augusta, Ga., accompanied by their daughter, Dietra, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hunt. Mrs. W. S. Burgin accompanied them home for a visit of several weeks.

Asphy Robinson and members of the Adams family accompanied Mrs. D. W. Adams' body to Churchville, Va., for interment on Friday.

Mrs. George Sandlin spent Monday in Old Fort before starting a trip to Fort Worth, Tex., where she will visit her son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. Richard Fullerton, and son, Dick Sandlin Fullerton. Later Mrs. Sandlin plans to visit friends in California.

Jerry Grant of Newport News, Va., is visiting relatives here. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Grant.

Mrs. Allie Stepp of Nebo, who is recovering from serious surgery, has returned to her home there. Donald Camp, who also underwent surgery, has returned from Marion General hospital. His condition is reported to be good.

Billy Wink Arney has been a patient in Memorial Mission hospital for the past three weeks with a dislocated disc in his back. His condition is said to be improved.

Charles Stirewalt Host
Charles Stirewalt entertained 17 members of the sub-committee set with a Valentine party at his home in New Fort on Saturday evening.

The house was decorated in a Valentine motif and unique sandwiches made of red bread were served with candy, nuts and soft drinks.

Charles' mother led the group in appropriate games and stunts. Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Duncan of Cross Mill, announce the engagement of their daughter, Edith Faye, to Joseph Henry Allison, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Fred Allison of Old Fort. The wedding is planned for March 28.

Want the Library Open?
On March 3, the people of McDowell county will go to the polls to vote whether or not to add a few cents per hundred dollars valuation to our county taxes in order to support a McDowell County library. Think before you vote.

Those few cents will mean that the bookmobile will still be able to make the accustomed trips to the various sections of the county.

Last year 50,000 book "loans" were made. As has been said before, movies and television can never take the place of good literature. Not many of us can afford to buy outright, the books we would like our children to read, and the ones we read ourselves, but, with only a few cents added to our taxes, the latest and best books will be available to all of us. Please vote to maintain our county library.

Garden Club Entertains
Members of the Hoe and Hope Garden club held a dinner party at Buck's restaurant, Asheville, Saturday evening, with their husbands as guests. Those who attended described it as a most interesting meeting, featuring spirited discussions of current civic and political questions.

Bingo Party
Mrs. Mary Frances Silver was hostess on Friday evening, Feb. 13, at a bingo party at her home on Catawba River road. After games, delicious refreshments were served.

When the scores were tallied, Mrs. Johnnie Barrett was named holder of most prizes. Mrs. Addie Carver won top prize. Sinda Carver received the consolation prize.

Attending were Mrs. Carver, Mrs. Katherine Nesbitt, Mrs. Pat Noblitt, Miss Sinda Carver, Miss Bertha Greene, Mrs. Frances Allen, Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Katherine Noblitt, Miss Sheila Adams, and Kenneth Carver, who helped his sister, Mrs. Silver, conduct the games.

Wage Increase Slated
Old Fort Finishing plant announced to its employees last week that a wage increase would go into effect in the near future.

The pay boost "pattern that is developing in the textile industry" is being studied, the announcement stated, and Old Fort Finishing plant will announce further details on its wage increase in the future.

Missions Studied
Thirty-one members of Old Fort Methodist church met Wednesday night for the first in a series of church-wide mission studies on Alaska and Hawaii.

Emmett Stirewalt presented a report on "Alaska-Her Land and Her People." Miss Stirewalt's report was followed by a film, "Alaska—A World to be Won."

Another study was held Sunday night, with a program on "The Alaska Mission Tour." Colored slides, taken by the Rev. Horace McSwain of Statesville, on his recent trip to Alaska were shown.

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plays Hi-Fi; "The Littlest Angel" and "The Lullaby of Christmas"; Loretta Young and Gregory Peck. "Amahl and the Night Visitors"; Menetti; "Down Yonder"; Gid Tanner and his Skillet Lickers; "Ring! Christmas Bells"; Arthur Bigelow, bellmaster; "A First Christmas Record for Children"; "The Organ Plays at Christmas"; Ken Griffin; "The Lord Is My Shepherd"; Mormon Tabernacle choir; "Twas the Night Before Christmas"; Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians.

"Classic Favorites"; International Philadelphia orchestra; "Le Beau Danube"; Johann Strauss; "Beethoven Symphony No. 5 in C Minor"; "Music for a Dreamy Afternoon"; International Concert orchestra; "French for Children"; "Poet's Gold"; Helen Hayes, Raymond Massey and Thomas Mitchell.

Also ordered is a group of six albums with colored filmstrips to accompany each. Among these are "Sleeping Beauty"; "William Tell"; "The Bartered Bride"; and "Scheherazade." The last two will be used in preparation for the spring concert of the North Carolina Symphony orchestra.

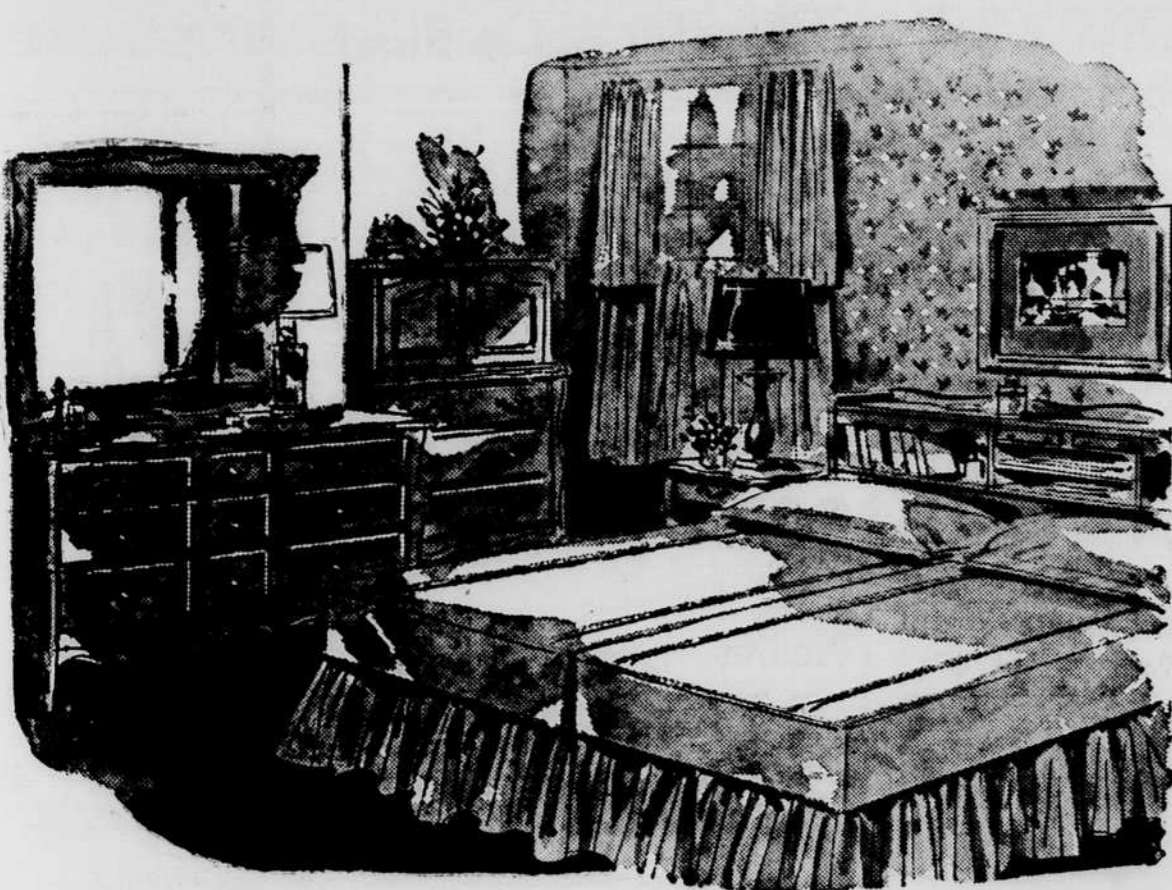
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